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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: AWARD OF
PUBLIC WORKS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS
CITY OF COMPTON
AND IN VARIOUS UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT
LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND LOS ANGELES RIVER WATERSHED
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Award and authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to prepare the construction contracts in the form previously approved by County Counsel, execute the contracts, and establish the effective dates following receipt of approved Faithful Performance and Labor and Material bonds filed by the contractors for the following:

- Project ID No. FCC0000902 Los Angeles River Trash TMDL Full Compliance, Catch Basin Retrofit - Phase 3, to install catch basin trash excluders, in various unincorporated communities throughout Los Angeles River Watershed (1, 2, 4, and 5), to G2 Construction, Inc., in amount of \$953,319.00.
- Project ID No. RDC0012009 Oleander Avenue over Compton Creek, to seismically strengthen a bridge, City of Compton (2), to KLM Construction, Inc., in amount of \$117,925.00.

> Project ID No. RDC0015060 - As-Needed Traffic Signal Construction Project, 2007-08, to install and modify traffic signals as needed, in various unincorporated communities throughout Los Angeles County (All), to Steiny and Company, Inc., in amount of \$1,949,905.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain your Board's approval to award these construction contracts and authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to execute the contracts and establish the effective contract dates following receipt of approved bonds and insurance filed by contractors for each of these projects.

See attachments as follows for each project. The attachment for each project includes the project description, the call for bids and bid opening dates, a tabulation of bids, and financial information. The certified record of receipt of bids and the lowest original bid proposal for each project are also attached including addenda to the contract specifications for Project ID Nos. RDC0012009 and RDC0015060.

- Project ID No. FCC0000902 sheets 1A and 1B
- Project ID No. RDC0012009 sheets 2A and 2B
- Project ID No. RDC0015060 sheets 3A and 3B

The recommended construction contracts are necessary to execute Board-directed and approved Department of Public Works projects in support of operational missions. Your Board's approval of the recommended contract awards and the subsequent execution of the contracts will ensure the timely completion of the projects.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6). Awarding these contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public and will enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

These actions will have no impact to the County General Fund.

The attachment for each project includes the amount of the recommended contract as compared with the engineer's estimate and the other bids received.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. FCC0000902, are included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-08.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0012009, are included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund Budget.

Sufficient funds for Project ID No. RDC0015060, are included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund Budgets.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract agreements will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel. The recommended contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis and are in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractors are in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

These contracts contain terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.202; and the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

The State Public Contract Code requires the County to award construction contracts to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, which is defined as the firm that; (1) submits the bid with the lowest cost; (2) is deemed by the County to be responsive to specific criteria under the solicitation, including, but not limited to licensure, bonding, and insurance requirements; and (3) is determined by the County to be a responsible bidder by exhibiting the capability, capacity, experience, trustworthiness, and financial wherewithal to perform the work required under the bid solicitation.

To ensure the contracts are awarded to the lowest responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act, criminal convictions, civil litigation, defaulted contracts with the County, complaints filed with the Contractor's State License Board, labor law/payroll violations, and debarment actions. As provided for in Board Policy No. 5.140, the information reported by each respective contractor was considered before making this recommendation to award.

The plans and specifications include the contractual provisions, methods, and material requirements necessary for this project and are on file with the Department of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Each of these projects was found to be categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act at the time your Board called for bids. The specifics of these findings are included in the attachment for each project.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

The contracts were solicited on an open competitive basis in accordance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code.

The State Labor Code requires contractors to pay prevailing wage rates to all persons employed on public works construction contracts. These rates are determined by the Department of Industrial Relations and include contributions for fringe benefits such as vacations, pension funds, training, and health plans for each employee.

To further increase contractor awareness of contracting opportunities with the Department of Public Works, each of these projects was listed on the County website for upcoming bids.

The Department of Public Works will review and approve the faithful performance and payment bonds filed by the contractors.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These construction contracts will result in improved public works infrastructure in the communities where the work is scheduled.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (3)

c: County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

AWARD OF CONTRACT April 1, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000902 - LOS ANGELES RIVER TRASH TMDL FULL COMPLIANCE, CATCH BASIN RETROFIT - PHASE 3 (in various unincorporated communities throughout the Los Angeles River Watershed), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, 4 and 5

TYPE OF WORK: Installation of catch basin trash excluders.

<u>CALL FOR BIDS DATE</u>: January 15, 2008 (Agenda Item 39)

BID OPENING DATE: February 12, 2008

BID SUMMARY:

Low *G2 Construction, Inc., a corporation 13331 Garden Grove Boulevard, Suite H Garden Grove, California 92843 (714) 748-4242	\$ 953,319.00
2 United Storm Water, Inc.	\$ 983,426.00
3 Mike Bubalo Construction	\$1,192,000.00
4 Cora Construction, Inc.	\$1,121,000.00
5 Ecology Control Industries	\$1,228,185.00
6 +Atlas-Allied, Inc.	\$1,345,750.00
7 *+Mehta Mechanical Company, Inc.	\$1,398,700.00
8 HPS Mechanical, Inc.	\$1,556,267.00
9 Granite Construction Company	\$1,826,894.00
*MWBE	
+LSBE	

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$1	,202,650.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$	953,319.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$	249,331.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 21 percent below the estimate.

Sufficient funds for this project are included in the Flood Control District Budget for Fiscal Year 2007-08

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES DATA:

G2 Construction, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On January 15, 2008, Agenda Item 39, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

This project is to be completed in 60 working days. It is estimated the work will start in June and be completed in August 2008.

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AWARD OF CONTRACT April 1, 2008

PROJECT ID NO. RDC0012009 - OLEANDER AVENUE OVER COMPTON CREEK (City of Compton), Supervisorial District 2

TYPE OF WORK: Seismic strengthening of an existing bridge.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: December 18, 2007 (Agenda Item 57)

BID OPENING DATE: January 15, 2008

BID SUMMARY:

Low	KLM Construction, Inc., a corporation 1011 East Main, Suite 408 Puyallup, Washington 98372 (253) 444-5168	\$117,925.00
2	*4-Con Engineering, Inc.	\$124,900.00
3	*C-1 Construction Corporation	\$135,580.27
4	G. B. Cooke, Inc.	\$171,774.00
5	John S. Meek Company, Inc.	\$172,812.50
6	*Mike Bubalo Construction	\$198,610.00
7	Excel Paving Company	\$338,135.00

*MWBE

Abbott Contracting & Engineering, Inc., submitted a bid in the amount of \$143,579.00; however, they did not notarize the Non-Collusion Affidavit. Therefore, their bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$151,925.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$117,925.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 34,000.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 22 percent below the estimate.

This project will be administered under the Highway Bridge Program as covered by Agreement 76078 with the State of California. Under this program, Federal funds allocated to local agencies are used to finance a portion of the qualifying costs of the bridge seismic retrofit projects. The remaining portion of the costs of the project will be funded with the recently approved State Proposition 1B funds. Funding for this project is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund Budget.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

KLM Construction, Inc., has no MWBE or DBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract, yielding a DBE participation of 0 percent.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On May 1, 2007, Agenda Item 49, your Board found this project statutorily exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

The contract specifications require the work to be completed in 30 working days. It is estimated the work will start in April and be completed in June 2008.

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0015060 - AS-NEEDED TRAFFIC SIGNAL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT, 2007-08 (in various unincorporated communities throughout Los Angeles County), All Supervisorial Districts

TYPE OF WORK: Installation and modification of traffic signals on an as-needed basis.

CALL FOR BIDS DATE: December 18, 2007 (Agenda Item 59)

BID OPENING DATE: January 22, 2008

BID SUMMARY:

Low	*Steiny and Company, Inc., a corporation 12907 East Garvey Avenue Baldwin Park, California 91706 (626) 338-9923	\$1,949,905.00
2	Moore Electrical Contracting, Inc.	\$1,985,621.00
3	*C. T. & F., Inc.	\$1,994,143.57
4	Republic Intelligent Transportation Services, Inc.	\$2,144,340.00
5	Dynalectric	\$2,293,151.81
6	Pro Tech Engineering Corporation	\$2,358,972.94
7	Terno, Inc.	\$2,476,020.00
8	Comet Electric, Inc.	\$2,537,455.00
9	CSI Electrical Contractors, Inc.	\$2,696,268.00

*MWBE

Christopher R. Morales, Inc., submitted a bid in the amount of \$1,948,075.00; however, they did not properly complete the bid proposal including the Non-Collusion Affidavit; therefore, their bid was considered nonresponsive and rejected as provided in the Instructions to Bidders.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

Amount of estimate	\$2,308,125.00
Amount of recommended contract	\$1,949,905.00
Amount of recommended contract below estimate	\$ 358,220.00

The amount of the recommended contract is 16 percent below the estimate.

This project is included in the Fiscal Year 2007-08 Road Fund and Proposition C Local Return Fund Budgets.

MINORITY/WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE DATA:

Steiny and Company, Inc., has no MWBE subcontractors/suppliers under this contract.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

On December 18, 2007, Agenda Item 59, your Board found this project categorically exempt.

CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE:

This contract is for a period of one year. It is estimated the work will start in April 2008 and be completed in April 2009.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

The contractor's industrial safety record indicated one fatality in the year 2006 resulting from a traffic accident. The employee was fatally injured in a company vehicle while leaving the project jobsite. Steiny and Company, Inc., has not been issued a citation nor are they defending any lawsuits related to this traffic accident.

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